

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE the Paragraph [0034] with the following paragraph:

[0034] On the lid 15 are ink injection holes 36 and 38 through which ink can be injected to the foam chambers 17 and the ink chambers 19 color by color, and on the bottom of the lid 15 is a third welded part 35 weldable with the first welded part 27 and a fourth welded part 37 weldable with the second welded part 29. The fourth welded part 37 has a plurality of grooves 41 shown in FIG. 9 where the second welding part 29 is inserted.

Please REPLACE the Paragraph [0040] with the following paragraph:

[0040] As can be seen in FIG. 11, the cross-sectional area of the second welding part 29 is formed in a rectangular shape. The second welding part 29 can have a thickness D smaller than a width C inside the groove 41 formed in the fourth welding part 37, which will be described later, formed in the lid 15. FIG. 11 is an enlarged view of the second welded part 29 inserted into a groove 41 of the fourth welded part 37. The plurality of grooves 41 are formed in the fourth welding part 37, as shown in FIG. 9.

Please REPLACE the Paragraph [0043] with the following paragraph:

[0043] The welding relationship of the cartridge body and the lid for manufacturing an ink cartridge according to an aspect of the present invention structured as above are described. If the lid 15 (refer to FIG. 7) is mounted on the upper side of the cartridge body 13 (refer to FIG. 5), as shown in FIG. 10, the first welding part 27 is engaged with the third welding part 35, ~~and, at~~ At the same time, as shown in FIG. 11, the second welding part 29 is inserted into the central portion of the respective groove 41 of the fourth welding part 37. FIG. 11 is an enlarged view of the fourth welding part 37. The fourth welding part 37 includes the plurality of grooves 41 for the insertion of each of the second welding parts 29 as shown in FIG. 9. By doing so, the front end corners of the second welding part 29 come in contact with the symmetrical faces of the symmetric triangular shape of the fourth welding part 37, so certain gaps 51 and 52 occur on the

left and right sides of the second welding part 29 when inserted in the plurality of groove-grooves 41. Each of the gaps 51 and 52 on the left and right sides of the second welding part 29 is equal to, or smaller, than 0.4 mm.

Please REPLACE the Paragraph [0044] with the following paragraph:

[0044] In such a state, if an ultrasonic welder (not shown) generates vertical vibrations while pressing against the upper side of the lid, the contact surfaces of the second welding part 29 and the fourth welding part 37 melt down, a portion of melted-down resin flows down into the left and right gaps 51 and 52, and a portion of remaining resin flows into space 39 on the upper side of the ~~groove~~ plurality of grooves 41 to weld the second and fourth welding parts 29 and 37. As a result, the left, right, and upper sides of the second welding part 29 are completely welded and fixed, so tight sealing can be accomplished.

Please REPLACE the Paragraph [0047] with the following paragraph:

[0047] FIG. 12 is a view showing an ink cartridge according to another aspect of the present invention, enlarging the cross-section view of the second and fourth welding parts 29 and 37. As can be seen in FIG. 12, the upper side of the second welding part 29 is formed in a convex shape so upper space 39a of the groove ~~39-41~~ is reduced. The fourth welding part 37 formed on the bottom of the lid 15 has substantially the same shape as the above embodiment.

Please REPLACE the Paragraph [0048] with the following paragraph:

[0048] FIG. 13 is a view showing an ink cartridge according to yet another embodiment of the present invention, enlarging cross-sectional views of second and fourth welding parts 29 and 37. As can be seen in FIG. 13, the upper side of the second welding part 29 is convex so as to enlarge an upper space 39b of the groove 41. The fourth welding part 37 has the same shape as the above embodiment.